MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): That cannot be definitely stated.

MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Is the work considered necessary?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: Government consider it necessary. Detailed estimates have not been prepared. The work is not one of *absolute* urgency. They accept the desirability of extending the road.

MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): And the necessity for the road?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: Why, they have called for the estimate. It is only when that is carefully examined that budget provision will have to be made. This is a case where budget provision has not been made.

Bridge at Kallukadavu.

173. **MR. G. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Karunagapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any representations have been made to the Government for the construction of the bridge at Kallukadavu on the Padanayarkulangara-Sasthancotta road; and

(*b*) whether any, and, if so, what steps have been taken by them on the representations made, if any?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter has been referred to the Central Road Board for consideration.

Alwaye Division Engineer.

174. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state how many years and months it is since the present (12-8-1106) P. W. Division Engineer at Alwaye took charge of the Alwaye Division?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It is now four years and one month since the present P. W. Division Engineer at Alwaye took charge of the Alwaye Division.

Opening of Anchal Offices at Pallikkal and Gnekkad.

175. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state what action has been taken with regard to the opening of two Anchal Offices, one at Pallikkal and the other at Gnekkad, in the Chirayinkil taluk?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Petitions were received praying for the opening of Anchal Offices at Madavur-Pallikkal and Gnekkad in the Chirayinkil taluk and the petitioners have been told that the question of opening the Anchal Offices will be considered if they are prepared to deposit the necessary guarantee amount against loss to Government.

Local holidays for Minabharani at Kollencode and Ashtami day at Tirumala.

176. **MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kulkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

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(*a*) whether they have received representations to give local holidays for Minabharani in Kollencode and Ashtami day at Tirumala in the Vilavankod taluk ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the steps they have taken in the matter?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Representations were made in this matter by the members of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly at its previous sessions.

(*b*) The members were told in reply that the two days could not be declared as holidays for the taluk, as the festivals were not so important as to justify the grant of holidays.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): വേറെ ഏതെങ്കിലും താലൂക്കിൽ ലോക്കൽ ഹാളിഡേസ് കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : മറ്റു പല താലൂക്കുകളിലും പല സംഗതികളിലും ലോക്കൽ ഹാളിഡേസ് കൊടുത്തിട്ടുള്ളതായി കണ്ടേക്കാം.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): ചോദ്യത്തിൽ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ള രണ്ടു ദിവസത്തിൽ കൂടുതൽ പ്രാധാന്യം ഏതിനാണെന്നു ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു അറിയാമോ ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : ദേവസ്വം കമ്മീഷണരുടെ അഭിപ്രായത്തിൽ ഇതു രണ്ടും പ്രാധാന്യമുള്ളതല്ലെന്നാണ്.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): ഉദ്ദേശം അവിടെ എന്തു് ആൾക്കൂട്ടം ഉണ്ടായിരിക്കുമെന്നുള്ളതിനെപ്പറ്റി മേലാൽ ഒരന്വേഷണം നടത്തുന്നതിനു ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു ഭാവമുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : അന്വേഷണം നടത്താം.

Establishment of a Bureau of Statistics.

177. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) ; In view of the strong recommendation made by the Banking Enquiry Committee that a permanent Bureau of Statistics working on up-to-date lines be organised, will the Government be pleased to state if any action has been taken to give effect to this recommendation ?

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The answer is in the negative. The report of the Committee and the recommendations contained therein are under the consideration of the Government.

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